

Water Pipeling Comments < nsepipelinecomments@gmail.com>

## Please deny the demand from the Southern Nevada Water Authority for groundwater rights in White Pine and Lincoln counties.

1 message

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Nov 16, 2011

Jason King NV

Dear King,

We believe the scientific information is overwhelming: Draining 50 billion gallons of groundwater from the Great Basin would devastate Native American communities, rural economies and wildlife habitat over a huge area.

Further, the families and small businesses of Las Vegas, recovering from a brutal recession, cannot afford the huge price tag for this project.

It's important for me that the Great Basin water stays in the Great Basin. You only have to look at the experience of California and the effect of the water policy of Los Angelese to have direct evidence of how catastrophic this would be. The Owens Valley and Mono Lake bear witness to the past follies.

We urge you to deny the applications filed by the Southern Nevada Water Authority and support the best interests of all of Nevada.

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Smithies 5 King Street Brighouse We Hd6 1nx, NV 89820

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